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In re application of: Leek, William F.

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For: Automatic Take-up Device with Internal Spring

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114, for the above identified application.

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ENCLOSURES

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3. Enclosed herewith are:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

Other: Formal Drawings
Submission Under C.F.R. Section 1.114**FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).**

4. This application is on behalf of:

Other than a small entity
Continued Prosecution Request Fee: \$740.00**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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